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The 1958 Primaries of the State of Maine

(With a Brief Calendar
of Important Dates)



A Compilation Prepared under
the Direction of the Secretary
of State for the Benefit of Candi-
dates in the 1958 Primaries

WHILE the Secretary of State is at all times very glad to furnish all possible information, candidates and others interested in the June primaries will save themselves much unnecessary inconvenience and will avoid needless delay if they will familiarize themselves with the following facts:

**BRIEF CALENDAR
OF IMPORTANT DATES**

Election Dates

June 16 — Primary Election
Sept. 8 — State Election

**Dates Relating to
Nomination Petitions**

Jan. 1 — Papers may be circulated
Apr. 21 — Final date for filing
(No papers will be received in the Secretary of State's office after 5:00 P.M. but envelopes bearing a postmark as having been received in Augusta not later than midnight, April 21, will be accepted.)

**Dates for Filing
Expense Accounts and
Reports of Contributions Received**

(Note: See Pages 6, 7 and 8 for detail and penalties.)

Feb. 1 — First monthly return for candidates for U. S. Senator, Governor and Representative to Congress, if expenses incurred.
Mar. 1 — Monthly return for candidates for U. S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
April 1 — Monthly return for candidates for U. S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
May 1 — Monthly return for candidates for U. S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
May 17 — First return for candidates for County Offices and Legislative candidates.

- May 21 — First weekly return for candidates for Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- May 28 — Weekly return for candidates for U. S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 4 — Weekly return for candidates for U. S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 11 — Last return prior to the primaries for all candidates. Must be on file on or before 10:00 A.M. of this date.
- June 12 — Meeting of Committee on Election Expenditures to investigate returns then on file.
- July 1 — Final date for return of receipts and expenditures for all candidates, political agents, persons, firms, associations, committees, organizations and corporations on behalf of candidates. This should be a recapitulation of all expenditures and contributions previously reported in connection with the campaign, together with a report of expenses and contributions made on Primary Election Day.
The Committee on Election Expenditures will meet again within 21 days after June 16 to investigate these final reports.
- Sept. 23 — Date all state election candidates must file expense report, whether or not expenses were incurred. Forms sent to candidates prior to State Election.
(This report should not include expenses made in connection with a primary nomination.)

SIGNING OF NOMINATION PAPERS

Date

Primary nomination papers must not be signed prior to January 1, 1958, and must be filed with the Secretary of State on or before April 21, 1958. (Ch. 4, Sec. 20.)

Signatures

Nomination papers may be signed only by members of the political party named therein who reside in the electoral division in which the nomination is sought. Each voter may sign one nomination paper for the same office and only one, except in cases where more than one person is to be elected to the same office. Each such signer of a nomination paper must make his signature in person, in a legible manner, and add to it his place of residence. Women should sign their given name and married surname. (Mary Jones and not Mrs. John Jones.) Ditto marks, indicating the residence, made by the person signing the nomination paper, will be accepted (Ch. 4, Sec. 20.)

Oath of Circulator

One of the signers, or the person circulating the nomination paper, must make oath thereon that to the best of his knowledge and belief the signatures are genuine, that the persons signing are members of the political party named therein and that they reside in the electoral district or division in which the nomination is to be made. The person proposed for nomination must sign the petition in the space provided, agreeing to accept the nomination if nominated at the primary election, not to withdraw and if elected at the state election to qualify as such officer. (Ch. 4, Sec. 19.)

Number of Signatures Required

The total number of signatures for the nomination of a candidate must amount in the aggregate to at least 1%, and must not exceed 2%, of the total gubernatorial vote for all candidates cast in the 1956 election in the electoral district or division in which the nomination is proposed. The appended schedule has been figured on this basis and is intended to show accurately the minimum and maximum number of signatures required and permitted in each and every electoral district in the state in which nominations are to be made in the June primaries of 1958. (Ch. 4, Sec. 19.)

Candidate's Name and Address

The name of the proposed candidate should either be printed or typewritten in order that there may be no misunderstanding as to the exact manner in which his name shall appear on the ballot. Particular care should be taken that the name of the candidate should be written and spelled the same on all the petitions circulated. All nomination papers, when filed with the secretary of state, will be immediately opened, catalogued and subject to public inspection under proper restrictions. Candidates are urgently requested to give their post office addresses, as well as their residences, not only for their own protection but also in order that all communications sent out from this department may reach them promptly.

CANDIDATE'S EXPENSES

Reports Required

It shall be unlawful for any candidate or for any person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation on behalf of a candidate or for the purpose of aiding the candidacy of any person, to make any expenditure or incur any liability unless reporting the same to the Secretary of State on the dates set forth on Page 3. (Ch. 4, Sec. 38.)

Committee on Election Expenditures

The Committee on Election Expenditures will meet on June 12, 4 days prior to the Primary Election, at which time they shall make a preliminary investigation of all returns. The Committee will meet again within 21 days after the Primary Election to make a final examination of such returns. (Ch. 4, Sec. 44.)

Penalty for Failure to Report

Any candidate failing to make return within the time required shall be assessed a fine of not more than \$5 for each day he is in default by the legislative committee appointed under the provisions of section 44, unless he shall be excused by said committee. If such assessment is not paid at the order of said committee, the candidate shall be disqualified and his name shall not be printed upon an official ballot used at any special or general election held during the same

calendar year. Any candidate aggrieved by the decision of the committee not to print his name upon said official ballot may, within 5 days after notification of said decision, appeal to any Justice of the Superior Court, by presenting to him a petition therefor, in term time or vacation. Such Justice shall forthwith fix a time and place for immediate hearing, which may be in vacation, and cause notice thereof to be given to the committee; and after hearing, such Justice may, within 10 days after presentation of the petition for appeal, affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the committee and the decision of such Justice shall be final. (Ch. 4, Sec. 38.)

COMMITTEES, CLUBS, POLITICAL AGENTS AND THEIR RECORDS

Political Committee

A "political committee" is defined as including every committee or combination of 3 or more persons to aid or promote the success or defeat of any candidate for public office. (Ch. 9, Sec. 2.)

Treasurer

"Treasurers" include all persons appointed by a committee to receive or disburse moneys to aid or defeat a candidate. No person shall act as Treasurer unless the Secretary of State is notified. Forms for reporting Treasurers of Political Committees are available from the Election Division. Reports of receipts and expenditures of political committees are required to be filed by the Treasurer on the same dates that the candidates are required to file. (Ch. 9, Sec. 2.)

Political Agent

"Political Agents" are defined as all persons appointed by any candidate to assist him in his candidacy. Forms are available from the Election Division. One report of receipts and expenditures of Political Agents is required to be filed within 15 days after the election. (Ch. 9, Sec. 2.)

Persons Employed by Candidates

Any person accepting employment to aid the candidacy of any person for nomination to elective office whose remuneration for such employment shall exceed

the sum of \$5 shall, within 48 hours after accepting such employment, cause his name to be entered and filed upon a docket form provided by the Election Division. Such report shall contain a complete statement of the basis of compensation on which his services in behalf of a candidate are being rendered. (Ch. 4, Sec. 41.)

Preservation of Records of Persons Furnishing Service, etc.

Any person, firm, association or organization who shall receive money for labor, rent, printing, advertising or for any other service intended or designed to further the candidacy of a person for nomination to elective office or who shall furnish any such service or material on credit shall keep a careful and accurate detailed statement of the money received and the credit extended and preserve the same for a full period of 15 months following the date of the delivery or rendering of the materials or service. (Ch. 4, Sec. 42.)

Preservation of Records of Candidates or Committees Expenditures

Every candidate for elective office and every person, firm, association, committee, organization, club, group of voters or corporation who shall hire, contract for, arrange or otherwise provide or secure any material or service intended or designed to further the candidacy of himself or of any other person for nomination to elective office shall keep a full, detailed and correct account of the money expended and the liabilities incurred and preserve the same for a full period of 15 months following the date of the delivery or rendering of the materials or service. (Ch. 4, Sec. 42.)

Duty of Person Contracting for Services

It shall be the duty of any person, whether candidate or political agent or interested worker, who arranges for any labor, rent, printing, advertising or other service intended or designed to further the candidacy of a person for nomination to elective office to advise each and every individual with or from whom he contracts such labor, rent, printing, advertising or other service of the requirements of the foregoing paragraphs. (Ch. 4, Sec. 43.)

CONTRIBUTIONS

It shall be unlawful for any candidate or for any person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation, on behalf of a candidate or for the purpose of aiding the candidacy of any person, **to accept any contributions, received or promised, or to make any expenditure or incur any liability, either for printing, publication, postage, clerk hire, newspaper advertising, renting of halls or other places, soliciting agents, transporting voters, radio advertising, television, telephones and telegrams, stationery, express, traveling expense, hotel bill, or any other act or thing calculated to induce or procure any person or persons to vote for any candidate for office in a primary election unless on the dates hereinafter set forth next ensuing after the receiving of any such contribution or the making of any such expenditure or the incurring of any such liability such candidate, person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation shall report the same to the Secretary of State setting forth in detail the nature and amount of the contributions, received or promised or expenditure made or liability incurred with the name of the candidate, his address, the election district and the office in question.** (Ch. 4, Sec. 38.)

ALL CANDIDATES TO BE NOTIFIED OF RESULT

The returns of the primary election will be canvassed by the governor and council not later than the 1st Tuesday in July, 1958. As soon as possible thereafter there will be sent to each candidate whose name appeared on the primary ballot, a copy of the detailed tabulation of the vote cast in the electoral district or division in which he was a candidate. (Ch. 4, Sec. 31.)

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

Successful candidates will be notified, by registered mail, of their nomination at the primary election. Within 7 days after the receipt of such notification the candidate must file his acceptance with the secretary of state. **The failure of any candidate to file such acceptance within the specified time shall be**

deemed a refusal thereof and his name will not be printed on the September ballot. (Ch. 4, Secs. 31, 34.)

INSPECTIONS AND RECOUNTS

Primary Election

An inspection of the primary election ballots may be requested of the town or city clerk and the same may be granted after proper notification to the election officers and interested candidates. (Ch. 4, Sec. 32.) Within 10 days after copies of the tabulation have been forwarded to all candidates, candidates may make written application to the Secretary of State alleging that the return of votes cast in any town does not correctly state the vote as actually cast and specifying the officers as to which such errors are alleged to have occurred. (Ch. 4, Sec. 32.)

State Election

Inspections and recounts may be requested in writing immediately after the election. Requests for recounts cannot be honored if made more than 20 days after the date copies of the printed tabulation are made available. The request should allege that the record does not correctly state the vote as actually cast and should specify the particulars with reference to the errors alleged to have occurred. (Ch. 5, Secs. 49, 50.)

NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED AND PERMITTED ON PRIMARY NOMINATION PAPERS

The following schedule figured from the 1956 gubernatorial tabulation is intended to show accurately the number of signers which is required and permitted on primary nomination papers in each and every electoral district or division in the State of Maine in which nominations are to be made at the 1958 June primaries.

	Minimum	Maximum
State at large	3,046	6,093
First Congressional District		
Counties: Cumberland, Oxford, Sagadahoc and York	1,160	2,321
Second Congressional District		
Counties: Androscoggin, Franklin, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Somerset and Waldo	1,037	2,074

	Minimum	Maximum
Third Congressional District		
Counties: Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Washington	727	1,454
County Officers		
Androscoggin	322	644
Aroostook	193	386
Northern Registry District	45	89
Southern Registry District	148	296
Cumberland	579	1,157
Franklin	74	149
Hancock	105	210
Kennebec	304	609
Knox	95	189
Lincoln	75	149
Oxford	145	290
Eastern Registry District	124	248
Western Registry District	21	42
Penobscot	297	594
Piscataquis	61	122
Sagadahoc	72	145
Somerset	129	257
Waldo	77	154
Washington	115	230
York	405	809

REPRESENTATIVE CLASS DISTRICTS

Androscoggin County

Auburn (entitled to three)	91	182
Lewiston (entitled to six)	161	321
Durham and Lisbon	20	39
Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland Greene, Leeds, Wales and Webster	13	25
Livermore, Livermore Falls and Turner	23	46

Aroostook County

Caribou	18	36
Fort Fairfield	15	30
Presque Isle	23	46
Houlton	27	54
Benedicta, Crystal, Dyer Brook, Hersey, Island Falls, Merrill, Oakfield, Sherman, Smyrna and Plantations of Macwahoc, Moro and the unorganized townships of Molunkus, Silver Ridge and South Molunkus	13	26
Blaine, Bridgewater, Mars Hill, Monticello and E Plantation ...	11	22
Amity, Bancroft, Haynesville, Hodgdon, Linneus, Littleton, Ludlow, New Limerick, Orient, Weston and Plantations of Cary, Glenwood, Hammond and Reed Limestone, Stockholm and Plantations of Caswell, Cyr, Hamlin and the unorganized townships of Connor and 16 R-4	8	16

Aroostook County Continued

	Minimum	Maximum
Grand Isle and Van Buren	10	20
Ashland, Castle Hill, Masardis, Portage Lake and Plantations of Garfield, Nashville, Oxbow and the unorganized townships of St. Croix, Squa Pan, 9 R-4 and 11 R-4	10	20
New Sweden, Perham, Washburn, Woodland and Westmanland Plantation	9	18
Chapman, Easton, Mapleton, Wade and Westfield	8	17
Frenchville, Madawaska, Saint Agatha and the unorganized Townships of Guerette, Sinclair and 17 R-5	12	24
Fort Kent and Wallagrass Planta- tion.	9	18
Eagle Lake and Plantations of Allagash, New Canada, St. Francis, St. John, Winterville and the unorganized townships of 11 R-14, 14 R-6, 15 R-6, 16 R-6, 16 R-12, 20 R-11, 20 R-12	9	18

Cumberland County

Portland (entitled to seven)	234	469
South Portland (entitled to four)	72	145
Westbrook (entitled to two)	50	101
Brunswick (entitled to two)	41	82
Gorham	16	33
Scarborough	15	31
Falmouth	22	44
Cape Elizabeth	21	42
Bridgton	10	20
Freeport and Pownal	15	30
Cumberland and Harpswell	15	31
Casco and Windham	14	28
Baldwin, Sebago and Standish ...	11	22
Harrison, Naples and Otisfield ..	11	23
North Yarmouth and Yarmouth ..	14	27
Gray, New Gloucester and Ray- mond	16	31

Franklin County

Jay and Wilton	25	51
Chesterville, Farmington, New Sharon and Temple	21	42
Avon, Carthage, Industry, Madrid, New Vineyard, Phillips, Strong, Weld and the unorganized town- ships of Perkins and Washing- ton	16	32
Eustis, Kingfield, Rangeley and Plantations of Coplin, Dallas, Rangeley, Sandy River and the unorganized townships of Coburn Gore, Freeman, Gore North of 2 and 3, Jerusalem, Lang, Lowelltown, Redington, Salem, and other divisions	12	24

Hancock County

	Minimum	Maximum
Brooklin, Brooksville, Deer Isle, Sedgwick and Stonington	16	32
Bucksport, Castine, Dedham, Or- land, Penobscot and Verona ...	19	38
Bluehill, Ellsworth and Surry ...	23	47
Bar Harbor, Hancock and Trenton	16	31
Cranberry Isles, Lamoine, Mount Desert, Southwest Harbor, Swan's Island, Tremont and Long Island Plantation	15	31
Amherst, Aurora, Eastbrook, Franklin, Gouldsboro, Maria- ville, Otis, Sorrento, Sullivan, Waltham, Winter Harbor and Plantations of Osborn and No. 33	16	32

Kennebec County

Augusta (entitled to three)	75	151
Waterville (entitled to two)	72	144
Gardiner	22	44
Winslow	19	38
Albion, Benton, Clinton, Sidney and the unorganized township of Unity	15	31
China, Pittston, Vassalboro and Windsor	18	37
Chelsea, Farmingdale and Ran- dolph	16	31
Hallowell, Litchfield, Manchester and West Gardiner	22	44
Monmouth, Readfield, Wayne and Winthrop	25	50
Belgrade, Fayette, Mt. Vernon, Oakland, Rome and Vienna	20	40

Knox County

Rockland	30	59
Cushing, Friendship, Owl's Head, South Thomaston and Thomas- ton	16	31
Rockport, Union, Warren and Washington	17	34
Appleton, Camden and Hope	21	42
Isle-au-Haut, North Haven, Saint George, Vinalhaven, Matinicus Isle Plantation and the unor- ganized townships of Criehaven, Hurricane Isle and Muscle Ridge	11	23

Lincoln County

Alna, Jefferson, Newcastle, Waldo- boro, Whitefield and Somerville Plantation	25	51
Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Bris- tol, South Bristol, Southport and Monhegan Plantation	27	54
Bremen, Damariscotta, Dresden, Edgecomb, Nobleboro, Westport and Wiscasset	23	45

Oxford County		Minimum	Maximum
Dixfield and Mexico		21	42
Andover, Byron, Roxbury and Rumford (entitled to two)		42	83
Buckfield, Canton, Hartford, Hebron, Peru and Sumner		13	25
Paris, West Paris, Woodstock and the unorganized township of Milton		17	34
Lovell, Norway, Oxford and Waterford		20	40
Brownfield, Denmark, Fryeburg, Hiram, Porter and Sweden		18	35
Bethel, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Newry, Stoneham, Stow, Upton, Plantations of Lincoln, Magalloway and the unorganized townships of Albany, C. Surplus, Grafton, Lynchtown, Mason, Richardson, Township C, Township 4 and all other unclassified territory		15	30
Penobscot County			
Bangor (entitled to four)		82	165
Brewer		25	49
Old Town		29	57
Dexter and Garland		16	32
Corinna, Exeter, Newport and Stetson		14	28
Carmel, Dixmont, Etna, Kenduskeag, Levant, Newburg and Plymouth		9	18
Alton, Bradford, Charleston, Corinth, Edinburg Glenburn, Hudson, Lagrange, Maxfield, Sebøeis Plantation and the unorganized township of Argyle .		10	20
Hampden and Hermon		12	25
Orono		16	32
Millinocket and the unorganized townships of Indian Township No. 3 (Norcross) Indian Township No. 4 (Perkins) and the wild land townships L. R-7, A. R-8 and 9		20	39
Bradley, Clifton, Eddington, Greenfield, Holden, Orrington and Veazie		16	32
Enfield, Howland and Lincoln ...		18	37
Burlington, Greenbush, Lee, Lowell, Mattawamkeag, Milford, Passadumkeag, Springfield, Winn, Plantations of Carroll, Drew, Grand Falls, Lakeville, Prentiss and Webster		15	30
Chester, East Millinocket, Medway, Patten, Stacyville, Woodville, Mount Chase Plantation and the unorganized townships of Kingman, T-1R-7, T-2R-6, T-2R-8 and T-3R-8		15	30

Piscataquis County		Minimum	Maximum
Greenville, Monson, Shirley, Wellington, Willimantic, Plantations of Blanchard, Elliottsville, Kingsbury and the unorganized townships of Big Squaw, Chesuncook, Kineo, Lily Bay, Little Squaw and North East Carry ..		11	22
Abbot, Bowerbank, Brownville, Guilford, Parkman, Barnard Plantation and the unorganized townships of Day's Academy, Grant, Katahdin Iron Works and Williamsburg		15	30
Atkinson, Milo, Sebec, Lake View Plantation and the unorganized townships of Medford and Orneville		14	29
Dover-Foxcroft and Sangerville .		20	40
Sagadahoc County			
Bath (entitled to two)		36	72
Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Georgetown and Richmond		15	30
Arrowsic, Phippsburg, Topsham, West Bath and Woolwich		21	43
Somerset County			
Skowhegan		28	57
Fairfield		16	33
Detroit, Palmyra and Pittsfield ..		18	36
Athens, Cambridge, Canaan, Harmony, Hartland, Ripley and St. Albans		16	33
Cornville, Embden, Madison and Solon		18	36
Anson, Mercer, Norridgewock, Smithfield and Starks		16	32
Bingham, Jackman, Moose River, Moscow, New Portland, Plantations of Brighton, Caratunk, Dennistown, Highland, Pleasant Ridge, The Forks, West Forks and all others		15	30
Waldo County			
Belfast		21	42
Belmont, Freedom, Knox, Liberty, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Northport, Palermo and Searsmont		19	37
Brooks, Burnham, Jackson, Monroe, Swanville, Thorndike, Troy, Unity and Waldo		19	38
Frankfort, Islesboro, Prospect, Searsport, Stockton Springs and Winterport		19	37
Washington County			
Addison, Beals, Beddington, Cherryfield, Columbia, Columbia Falls, Deblois, Harrington, Milbridge and Steuben		23	46

Washington County Continued

Minimum Maximum

Centerville, East Machias, Jonesboro, Jonesport, Machias, Machiasport, Marshfield, Northfield, Roque Bluffs, Wesley and Whitneyville	25	50
Cutler, Dennysville, Lubec, Whiting, No. 14 Plantation and the unorganized townships of Edmunds, Marion, Trescott and No. 18	15	30
Alexander, Baileyville, Crawford, Danforth, Princeton, Talmadge, Vanceboro, Waite, Plantations of Codyville, Grand Lake Stream, No. 21 and the unorganized townships of Baring, Brookton, Forest City, Indian Township, Kossuth, Lambert Lake, Topsfield, 10 R-3 and 27 East Division	18	36
Calais, Charlotte, Cooper and Meddybemps	18	36
Eastport, Pembroke, Perry and Robbinston	15	30

York County

Biddeford (entitled to three)	90	181
Sanford (entitled to two)	67	133
Saco	47	94
Kittery	25	50
Eliot and York	27	55
Kennebunk and Kennebunkport ..	28	56
Arundel and Old Orchard Beach ..	26	52
Berwick and South Berwick	22	44
Lebanon, North Berwick and Wells	27	54
Cornish, Limerick, Limington and Parsonsfield	15	29
Buxton, Dayton, Hollis and Lyman	16	33
Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Shapleigh and Waterboro	15	29

The endeavor in the above has been to cover nearly every contingency which may arise in connection with the circulating and filing of primary nomination papers. Should any further information be desired, however, this department will cheerfully and freely furnish it and the Election Department of this office will gladly attempt to clear up any doubt which may arise in the mind of anyone in relation to the primaries.

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